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| ABA ADA ADD ADHD AI APR ASD ASL AT AUT | Applied Behavior Analysis Americans with Disabilities Act; Average Daily Attendance Attention Deficit Disorder Attention Deficit with Hyperactivity Disorder Auditorily Impaired Annual Performance Report Autism Spectrum Disorder American Sign Language Assistive Technology Autism |
| B | |
| BD BIP | Behaviorally Disordered; Behavior Disorders; Brain Damaged Behavior Intervention Plan |
| C | |
| CBA CFR CI CP | Curriculum Based Assessment Code of Federal Regulations Cognitively Impaired Cerebral Palsy |
| D | |
| DB; DBL DD DOE DSM DVR | Deaf-Blind Developmental Disabilities; Developmentally Delayed Department of Education Diagnostic and Statistical Manual (for Mental Disorders) Division of Vocational Rehabilitation |
| E | |
| ECE ED ELL ESEA ESL ESY | Early Childhood Education Emotionally Disturbed; Emotional Disorders; US Department of Education English Language Learner Elementary and Secondary Education Act English as a Second Language Extended School Year |
| F | |
| FAPE FBA FERPA FY | Free Appropriate Public Education Functional Behavior Assessment Family Educational Rights to Privacy Act (aka the Buckley Amendment) Fiscal Year |
| H | |
| HI | Health Impaired; Hearing Impaired |
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| IAES IDEA IEP IFSP ILP IQ ISS | Interim Alternative Education Setting Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Individual Education Program Individualized Family Service Plan Infant Learning Program Intelligence Quotient In School Suspension |

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| L | |
| LD | Learning Disabilities; Learning Disabled |
| LEA | Local Education Agency |
| LEP | Limited English Proficient |
| LRE | Least Restrictive Environment |
| N | |
| NCLB; NCLBA | No Child Left Behind Act |
| O | |
| OCR | Office of Civil Rights |
| OHI | Other Health Impairments |
| OSEP | Office of Special Education Programs, US Department of Education |
| OT | Occupational Therapy/Therapist |
| OT/PT | Occupational Therapy/Physical Therapy |
| P | |
| PBIS | Positive Behavior Intervention Supports |
| PDD | Pervasive Development Disorder |
| PDD-NOS | Pervasive Development Disorder – not otherwise specified |
| PRE-K | Pre-Kindergarten |
| PT | Physical Therapy/Therapist |
| PTI | Parent Training Initiative |
| S | |
| SAT | Scholastic Aptitude Test |
| SBE; SBOE | State Board of Education |
| SBS | Schoolwide behavior Supports |
| SE | Special Education |
| SEA | State Education Agency; State Education Association |
| SEAP | State Education Advisory Panel |
| SECTION 504 | Part of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 |
| SERRC | Southeast Regional Resource Center |
| SESA | Special Education Service Agency |
| SI | Speech Impaired |
| SIG | State Improvement Grant |
| SIP | State Improvement Plan |
| SLD | Specific Learning Disability |
| SLP | Speech-Language Pathologist |
| SLPA | Speech-Language Pathologist Assistant |
| SPED | Special Education |
| SPP | State Performance Plan |
| T | |
| TAG | Talented and Gifted |
| TBI | Traumatic Brain Injury |
| TDD | Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf |
| TTY | Teletypewriter (phone system for deaf individuals – see TDD) |
| V | |
| VI | Visually Impaired |